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## REVISED NOTICE OF COMPLETION AND AVAILABILITY

## DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (STATE CLEARINGHOUSE # 2002102057)

## **FOR**

Proposed Amendment of Land Use Permit (LP# 022026)
for the Bulk Materials Processing Center and Related Actions
at the West Contra Costa Sanitary Landfill

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), a Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) has been prepared for the Proposed Amendment of Land Use Permit (LP #022026) for the Bulk Materials Processing Center (BMPC) and related actions at the West Contra Costa Sanitary Landfill. West Contra Costa Sanitary Landfill, Inc. (WCCSL) Inc., ("Applicant") operates a Class II sanitary landfill located at the foot of Parr Boulevard located partially within North Richmond and the City of Richmond, California (Assessor Parcel Numbers: 408-140-013, 408-140-010, 408-140-009, 408-140-008).

WCCSL is requesting amendments to its existing land use permits (LUP) for its Bulk Materials Processing Center. These permits were issued in 1993 by Contra Costa County (under LUP No. 2054-92, as amended by LUP 2043-94) and the City of Richmond (under conditional use permit No. 92-53). WCCSL is also requesting to revise the Solid Waste Facilities Permit to allow a maximum of 20 to 30 feet of additional height for the landfill (currently 130 ft. elevation limit) to a new elevation limit of 150 to 160 feet.

The DEIR concludes that the Project would result in significant impacts associated with air quality (an exceedance in allowable  $PM_{10}$  particulate emissions) that cannot be mitigated to a level of insignificance. All other potentially significant impacts identified in the Draft EIR will be mitigated to a level of insignificance.

A portion of the WCCSL site is a closed hazardous waste landfill and therefore the site is included on the Hazardous Waste and Substances Site List released by Cal-EPA in 2002 (Government Code, Section 65962.5).

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**PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE LUP:** The proposed changes to applicable land use permits are described below:

- Increase the amount and types of compostables processed
- Increase the amount of concrete rubble processed
- Discontinue operation of the Soil Remediation Facility, an existing currently permitted facility
- Start-up of a new soil reclamation/processing operation involving the drying of high moisture content mud and sludges and blending with soil; and spreading and storage of upland soils. Soil products would be suitable for Alternative Daily Cover (ADC), final cover, final cap, or off-site use.
- Construction and operation of a Waste Recycling Center (WRC) through adaptive reuse of the Soil Remediation Facility building and site or an alternative site at the Landfill. The WRC will recycle, sort, and transfer for disposal waste from self-haulers, industrial debris boxes, and other commercial customers that would not be processed at the existing West County Resource Recovery, Inc. Central Processing Facility at 101 Pittsburg Avenue.

**REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD:** There will be a forty-five (45) day review and comment period for this Draft EIR. Comments on the completeness and accuracy of the Draft EIR must be received by 5:00 pm on December 22, 2003. All comments should be addressed to:

Contra Costa County Community Development Department 651 Pine Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, North Wing Martinez, CA 94553 Attention: Deidra Dingman

For accuracy of record, written comments are desirable and encouraged and should be supported by factual information whenever possible. Substantive comments or information on environmental issues related to the project will be included, and, if necessary, responded to in the Final EIR.

**REPORT AVAILABILITY**: The Draft EIR can be viewed on the Community Development Department website at: http://www.co.contra-costa.ca.us/depart/cd/recycle/eir/. The Draft EIR is available for review at the Community Development Department office at the address noted above. The Draft EIR is also available for review at:

Richmond Public Library 325 Civic Center Plaza Richmond, CA Office of Supervisor John Gioia, District 1 11780 San Pablo Avenue, Suite D El Cerrito, CA

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Copies of the Draft EIR are also available for purchase for \$39.00 (printed copy) or \$10.00 (copy on CD, PDF file) at the Contra Costa County Community Development Department at the address listed above.

In addition, copies of other supporting material related to the project are available for public review by appointment, at the offices of the Community Development Department.

**PUBLIC HEARING**: A public hearing to receive comments on the Draft EIR will be held on November 25, 2003, at 6:30 P.M., at the Shields-Reid Community Center, located at 1410 Kelsey St., Richmond, CA. Written and oral comments on the Draft EIR will be accepted at this public hearing. Spanish translation will be available at the public hearing.

**MORE INFORMATION**: For more information on the Draft EIR, on the proposed project, or how to participate in the process, please contact Deidra Dingman, Solid Waste Program Manager, at the Contra Costa Community Development Department by telephone at (925) 335-1224 or by e-mail at dding@cd.cccounty.us.

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